

Mr. C. J. Peck and myself spent most of the nights of May 28 and 29, 1904, in an open boat upon a New Jersey tide creek. During the early night and even at midnight we heard a strange whistle which some bird made as it flew across the marsh. It was of course too dark to see the bird, but on the following evening we heard a Spotted Sandpiper give the same note. Is this nocturnal flight common with this species? Has it anything to do with the breeding season? Is this bird astir all night? I have found them sleeping during the day and flying about at night. If they sleep at night do they sleep standing in the water or where do they roost? Can not some other bird student throw some more light upon this subject?

We always associate the Spotted Sandpiper with the vicinity of water. Whenever I think of them I imagine I can hear water rushing about rocks or see before me an expanse of mud flats. What was my surprise, therefore, when one July morning I found one of them walking the railroad tracks. To be sure it was near a trestle that spanned the creek, but here was the bird walking back and forth upon the steel rail, occasionally stopping and "teetering" in its customary way. It was a young bird of the year, lacking the conspicuous spots upon the breast. As it walked the rail the toes were turned in and it was "pigeon-toed" to perfection. I soon found, however, that there was an object in its madness as I saw it several times drop down to one of the ties and capture an unsuspecting spider, which it devoured with apparent relish.

Philadelphia, Pa., May, 1905.

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## BIRD HORIZONS FROM RUSSELLVILLE, KY.

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March 19, 1904.

Time, 2:30-5:30 P. M.; temp., 70°; clear; light south wind.

Wilson Snipe, 3; Bob-white, 15; Turkey Vulture, 10; Red-bellied Woodpecker, 2; Flicker, 10; Bronzed Grackle, 50; Vesper Sparrow, 20; Savanna Sparrow, 5; Leconte Sparrow, 1; White-crowned Sparrow, 2; White-throated Sparrow, 10; Field Sparrow, 8; Slate-colored Junco, 50; Song Sparrow, 12; Swamp Sparrow, 1; Cardinal,

10; Myrtle Warbler, 6; Tufted Titmouse, 5; Carolina Chickadee, 10; Golden-crowned Kinglet, 4.

Total: Species, 20; individuals, 234.

April 27, 1904.

Time, 2-6 P. M.; temp., 75°; cloudy.

Bob-white, 1; Turkey Vulture, 6; Downy Woodpecker, 1; Pileated Woodpecker, 1; Chimney Swift (estimate), 100; Crested Flycatcher, 5; Wood Pewee, 2; Phoebe, 1; Blue Jay, 5; Crow, 10; Purple Finch (est.), 100; Goldfinch, 10; White-throated Sparrow, 5; Chipping Sparrow, 10; Field Sparrow, 30; Towhee, 2; Cardinal, 5; Scarlet Tanager, 4; Summer Tanager, 5; Cliff Swallow, 1; Red-eyed Vireo, 3; Warbling Vireo, 1; White-eyed Vireo, 6; Black and White Warbler, 3; Worm-eating Warbler, 1; Cape May Warbler, 1; Prairie Warbler, 3; Myrtle Warbler, 10; Oven-bird, 3; Black-poll Warbler, 2; Mockingbird, 5; Catbird, 6; Brown Thrasher, 3; Carolina Wren, 1; Tufted Titmouse, 5; Carolina Chickadee, 3; Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, 10; Wilson Thrush, 1; Robin, 10; Bluebird, 4.

Total: Species, 40; individuals, 385.

April 30, 1904.

Time, 10 A. M.-5 P. M.; temp., 80; clear; light east wind.

Bob-white, 1; Mourning Dove, 4; Turkey Vulture, 10; Broad-winged Hawk, 1; Downy Woodpecker, 1; Flicker, 4; Chimney Swift, 40; Hummingbird, 1; Kingbird, 6; Crested Flycatcher, 10; Blue Jay, 15; Crow, 10; Meadowlark, 2; Bronzed Grackle, 5; Orchard Oriole, 1; Baltimore Oriole, 3; Purple Finch, 40; Goldfinch, 10; White-throated Sparrow, 10; Chipping Sparrow, 10; Field Sparrow, 20; Savanna Sparrow, 2; Swamp Sparrow, 1; Lincoln Sparrow, 2; Bachman Sparrow, 1; Rose-breasted Grosbeak, 4; Indigo Bunting, 5; Cardinal, 8; Towhee, 20; Summer Tanager, 3; Scarlet Tanager, 2; Bank Swallow, 2; Rough-winged Swallow, 1; Red-eyed Vireo, 10; White-eyed Vireo, 10; Yellow-throated Vireo, 5; Black and White Warbler, 6; Prairie Warbler, 6; Myrtle Warbler, 2; Black-throated Green Warbler, 3; Cerulean Warbler, 2; Black-poll Warbler, 6; Yellow Palm Warbler, 1; Maryland Yellow-throat, 10; Yellow-breasted Chat, 15; Redstart, 2; Ovenbird, 6; Mockingbird, 5; Catbird, 20; Brown Thrasher, 15; Carolina Wren, 6; Red-breasted Nuthatch, 1; Tufted Titmouse, 10; Carolina Chickadee, 8; Ruby-crowned Kinglet, 6; Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, 20; Robin, 18; Bluebird, 12.

Total: Species, 58; individuals, 459.

May 14, 1904.

Time, 9 A. M.-5 P. M.; temp., 75°; cloudy; light south wind.

Bob-white, 20; Mourning Dove, 5; Turkey Vulture, 10; Yellow-billed Cuckoo, 3; Downy Woodpecker, 1; Pileated Woodpecker, 1; Red-headed Woodpecker, 3; Kingbird, 20; Wood Pewee, 2; Prairie

Horned Lark, 2; Crow, 30; Meadowlark, 10; Bronzed Grackle, 30; Orchard Oriole, 10; Baltimore Oriole, 5; White-throated Sparrow, 1; White-crowned Sparrow, 1; Chipping Sparrow, 7; Field Sparrow, 12; Grasshopper Sparrow, 25; Lincoln's Sparrow, 1; Indigo Bunting, 10; Dickcissel, 3; Cardinal, 8; Red-eyed Vireo, 10; White-eyed Vireo, 10; Yellow-throated Vireo, 1; Warbling Vireo, 1; Black and White Warbler, 4; Prairie Warbler, 2; Magnolia Warbler, 1; Yellow Warbler, 2; Black-poll Warbler, 2; Oven-bird, 8; Yellow-breasted Chat, 15; Mockingbird, 6; Catbird, 20; Brown Thrasher, 5; Carolina Wren, 6; Bewick Wren, 2; Tufted Titmouse, 5; Carolina Chickadee, 4; Wilson Thrush, 2; Wood Thrush, 2; Robin, 28; Bluebird, 15.

Total: Species, 46; individuals, 371.

August 25, 1904.

Time, 2-5 P. M.; temp., 95°; clear.

Solitary Sandpiper, 1; Mourning Dove, 15; Turkey Vulture, 3; Red-headed Woodpecker, 5; Kingbird, 10; Crested Flycatcher, 2; Wood Pewee, 1; Crow, 5; Field Sparrow, 8; Grasshopper Sparrow, 3; Bachman Sparrow, 10; Cardinal, 3; Red-eyed Vireo, 1; Yellow-throated Vireo, 1; Berwick Wren, 1; Tufted Titmouse, 5; Carolina Chickadee, 4; Bluebird, 20.

Total: Species, 20; individuals, 101.

September 17, 1904.

Time, 10 A. M.-5 P. M., temp., 90°; clear.

Solitary Sandpiper, 1; Bob-white, 1; Mourning Dove, 8; Turkey Vulture, 20; Black-billed Cuckoo, 1; Downy Woodpecker, 1; Red-headed Woodpecker, 5; Red-bellied Woodpecker, 5; Pileated Woodpecker, 1; Flicker, 6; Nighthawk, 12; Chimney Swift, 20; Phoebe, 1; Acadian Flycatcher, 1; Wood Pewee, 5; Yellow-bellied Flycatcher, 2; Crow, 5; Blue Jay, 5; Goldfinch, 1; Field Sparrow, 8; Grasshopper Sparrow, 4; Summer Tanager, 2; Cardinal, 20; Red-eyed Vireo, 2; White-eyed Vireo, 2; Ovenbird, 1; Chestnut-sided Warbler, 1; Black-throated Green Warbler, 5; Magnolia Warbler, 1; Mockingbird, 6; Bewick Wren, 2; Tufted Titmouse, 10; Carolina Chickadee, 6; Robin, 10; Bluebird, 12.

Total: Species, 35; individuals, 193.

December 28, 1904.

Time, 2-5 P. M.; temp., 20°; north west wind: clear.

Bob-white, 30; Mourning Dove, 5; Turkey Vulture, 3; Downy Woodpecker, 2; Hairy Woodpecker, 1; Flicker, 20; Blue Jay, 3; Crow, 10; Meadowlark, 25; Leconte Sparrow, 1; Tree Sparrow, 12; Song Sparrow, 3; Junco, 100; Cardinal, 4; Towhee, 1; Cedar Waxwing, 10; Myrtle Warbler, 10; Mockingbird, 5; Brown Creeper, 1; Tufted Titmouse, 10; Carolina Chickadee, 5; Hermit Thrush, 1; Bluebird, 8.

Total: Species, 23; individuals, 270.

January 21, 1905.

Time, 10 A. M.-5 P. M.; temp., 32°-40°; north west wind; clear.

Turkey Vulture, 15; Downey Woodpecker, 3; Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, 1; Flicker, 2; Prairie Horned Lark (est.), 90; Crow, 20; Blue Jay, 1; Meadowlark, 2; Purple Finch, 12; Goldfinch, 4; Tree Sparrow, 6; Field Sparrow, 20; Junco (est.), 100; Song Sparrow, 4; Towhee, 1; Cardinal, 10 Cedar Waxwing, 10; Loggerhead Shrike, 1; Myrtle Warbler, 30; Mockingbird, 4; Carolina Wren, 3; Bewick Wren, 1; Tufted Titmouse, 5; Carolina Chickadee, 20; Golden-crowned Kinglet, 1; Robin (flock), 100; Bluebird, 5.

Total: Species, 27; individuals, 471.



**COMMON TERN.** (*Sterna hirundo*.)

Nest with Egg and Two Just Hatched Young, and Two Half Grown Young.

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